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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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RE: EPA/DEC CERCLA §104(e) Request: Barrett Paving  
Materials, Inc.

Dear Mr. Fuhrmann:

This correspondence responds to Barrett Paving Materials, Inc.'s ("Barrett") reply to the above-referenced joint request for information from the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("Department"), dated June 19, 1996. After review, the Department has identified several data gaps in Barrett's reply, as set out in the questions below. Pursuant to the underlying Federal and State authority set forth in the June 19, 1996 joint request, please submit the requested information within thirty (30) days of your receipt of this correspondence.

1. Pursuant to question 7 of the joint request, please indicate whether a Notice to the National Response Center, Spill Report, Cleanup Report or Pollutant Incident Memo was ever prepared or completed for the 125 gallon spill of heat transfer fluid which occurred during 1991 at the Jamesville facility. If so, please provide a copy. In addition, provide the final disposal location for the spilled material.

2. With respect to information contained on p. 000190 of Barrett's response, have poly-chlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs") ever been a component of the heat transfer oil or fluid, either currently or at any time in the past? Please submit any chemical analysis or information (such as Material Safety Data Sheets or other information provided by the manufacturer of the chemical) concerning the chemical constituents of such heat transfer oil or fluid. In addition, please indicate whether there have been any fires or explosions at this site and, if so, whether any of these incidents involved materials containing PCBs?

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3. With respect to the last paragraph on p. 000005 of Barrett's response, is there any additional information available concerning PCB removal from a transformer at the Jamesville site during 1990? If any report was ever created documenting this removal please provide a copy of the report as well as a copy of any analysis performed.

In responding to Questions 4-7, please refer only to the Barrett facilities listed below (separate responses should be given for each Site listed):

Ther-Ese Office and Shop	Rasselas Office	Split Rock Site
Ladd Pit	Northeast Shop	Tanner Gravel Pit
Herr Pit	Hitchings Pit	

4. Pursuant to question 4 of the joint request, please indicate whether PCBs have ever been used for other than the heat transfer fluid oil applications (referenced in questions 1 and 2 above) on any of these sites (e.g. electrical transformers or capacitors, dust control, etc.). Please make a separate listing for each site where such use occurred.


5. Pursuant to question 7 of the joint request, has any waste disposal of any type or nature been conducted at any of these sites or locations in the past? If so, please provide all information concerning the nature and quantities in volume of such wastes and analysis of the constituents of these wastes.

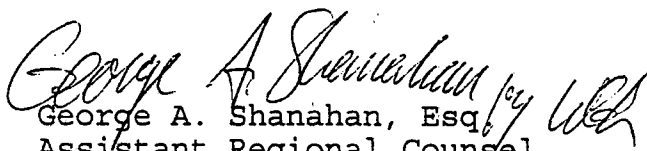
6. Pursuant to question 7 of the joint request, are there any areas at any of these sites where a discharge, spill or other release of hazardous wastes, hazardous substances, pollutants and contaminants is known or suspected (e.g. persistent long term odors, stained or discolored soil areas, seeps of leachate or other fluids or areas of dead or distressed vegetation). Please provide copies of any reports or analysis concerning any such actual or suspected discharge, spill or release.

7. Pursuant to question 9(d) of the joint request, please provide any available analytical data (soil, groundwater, surface water or sediment) for these sites.

We hope that EPA's and the Department's receipt of this supplemental information will complete Barrett's response. We will continue to review Barrett's submittal and therefore must reserve our rights to ask for further supplemental information at a later date if it becomes necessary. Please contact Mr. Little at the above telephone number if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

  
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